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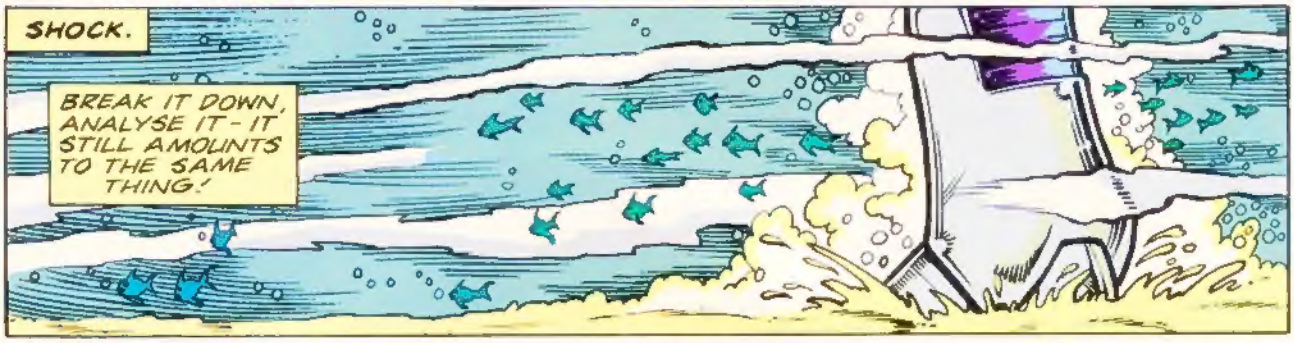

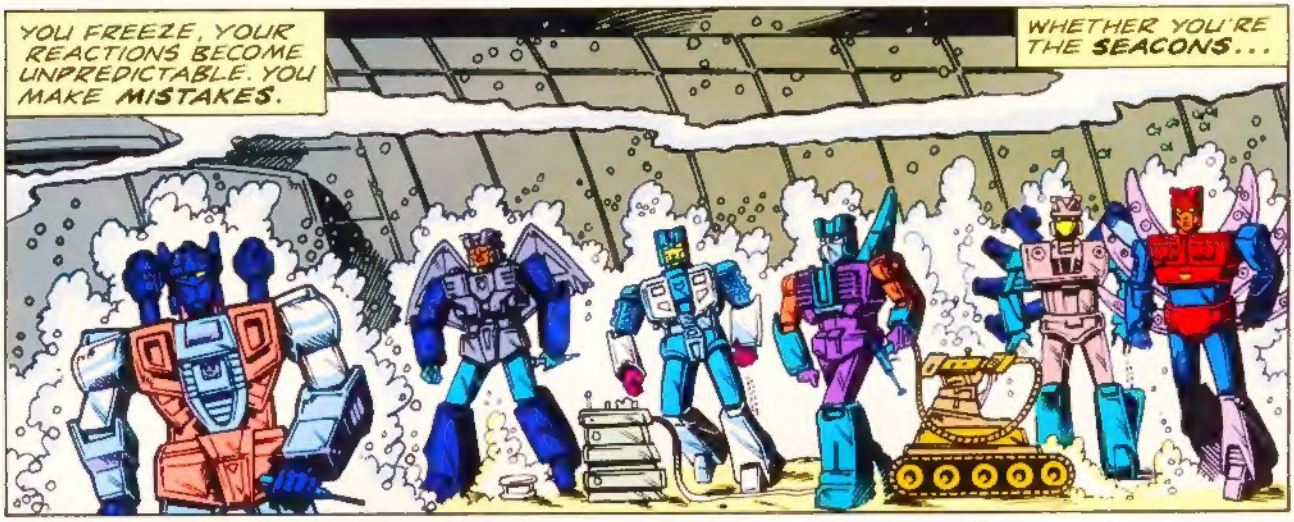

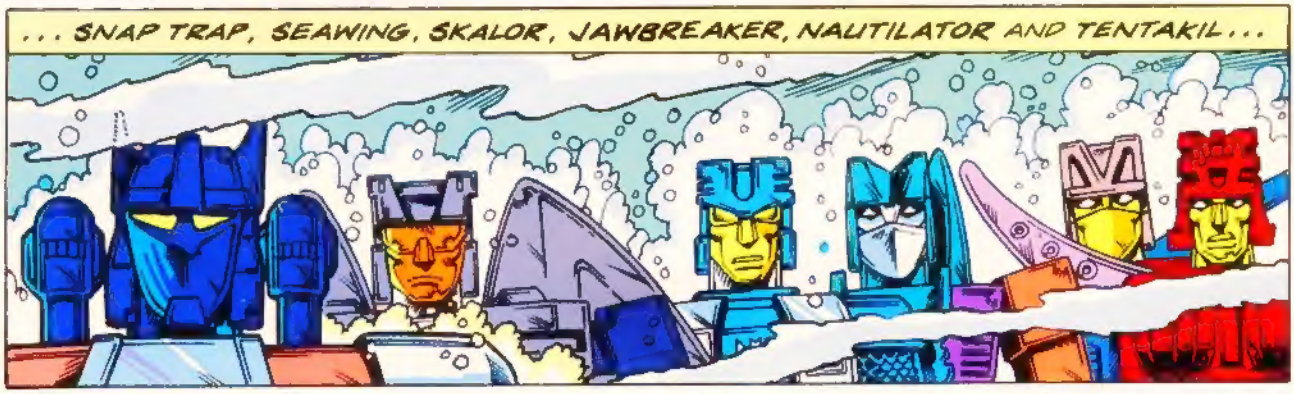

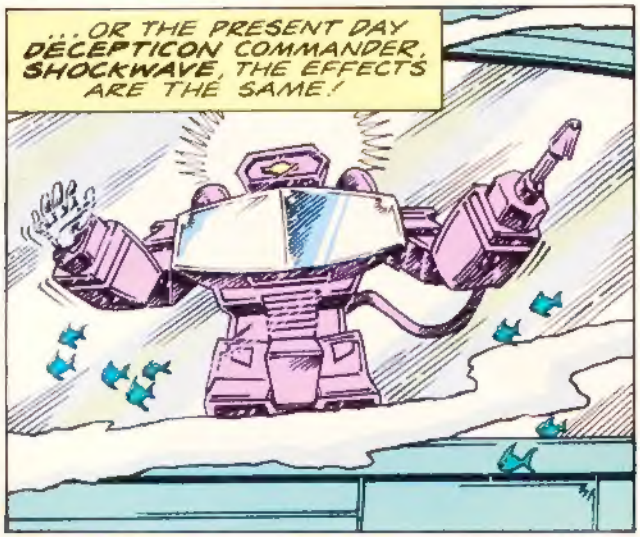

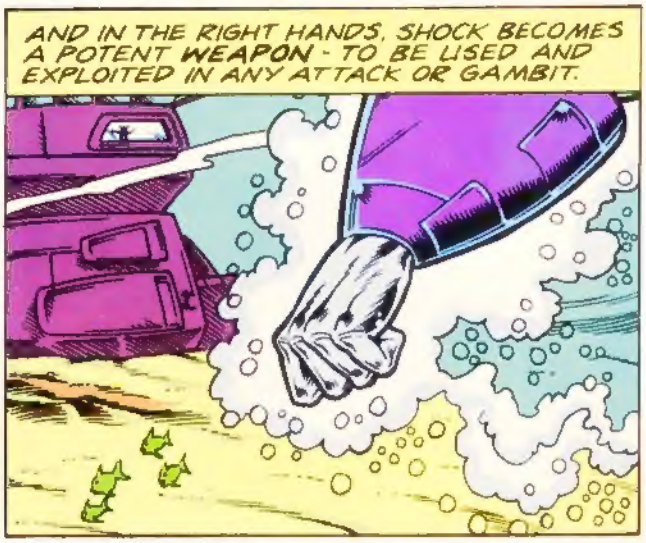

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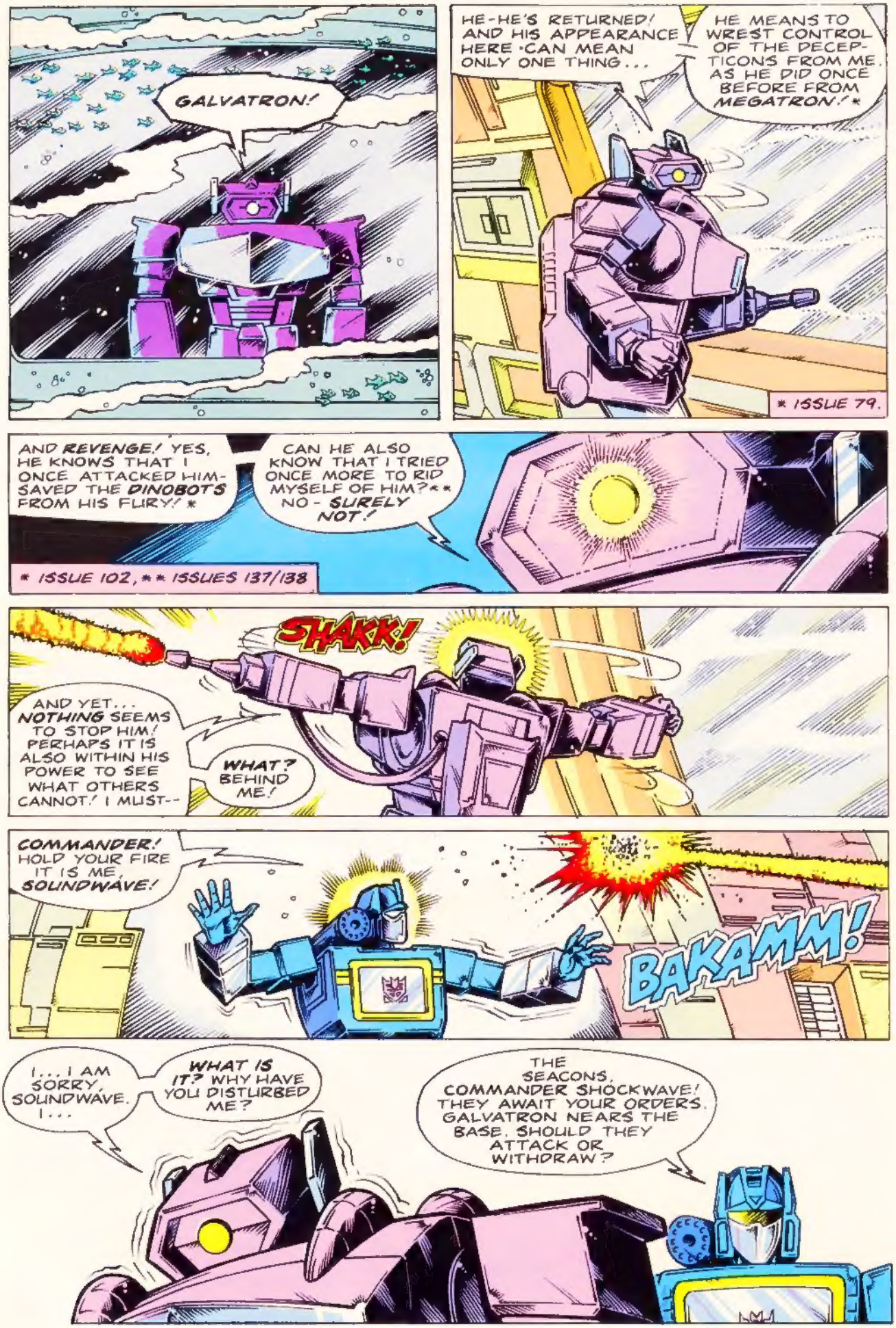
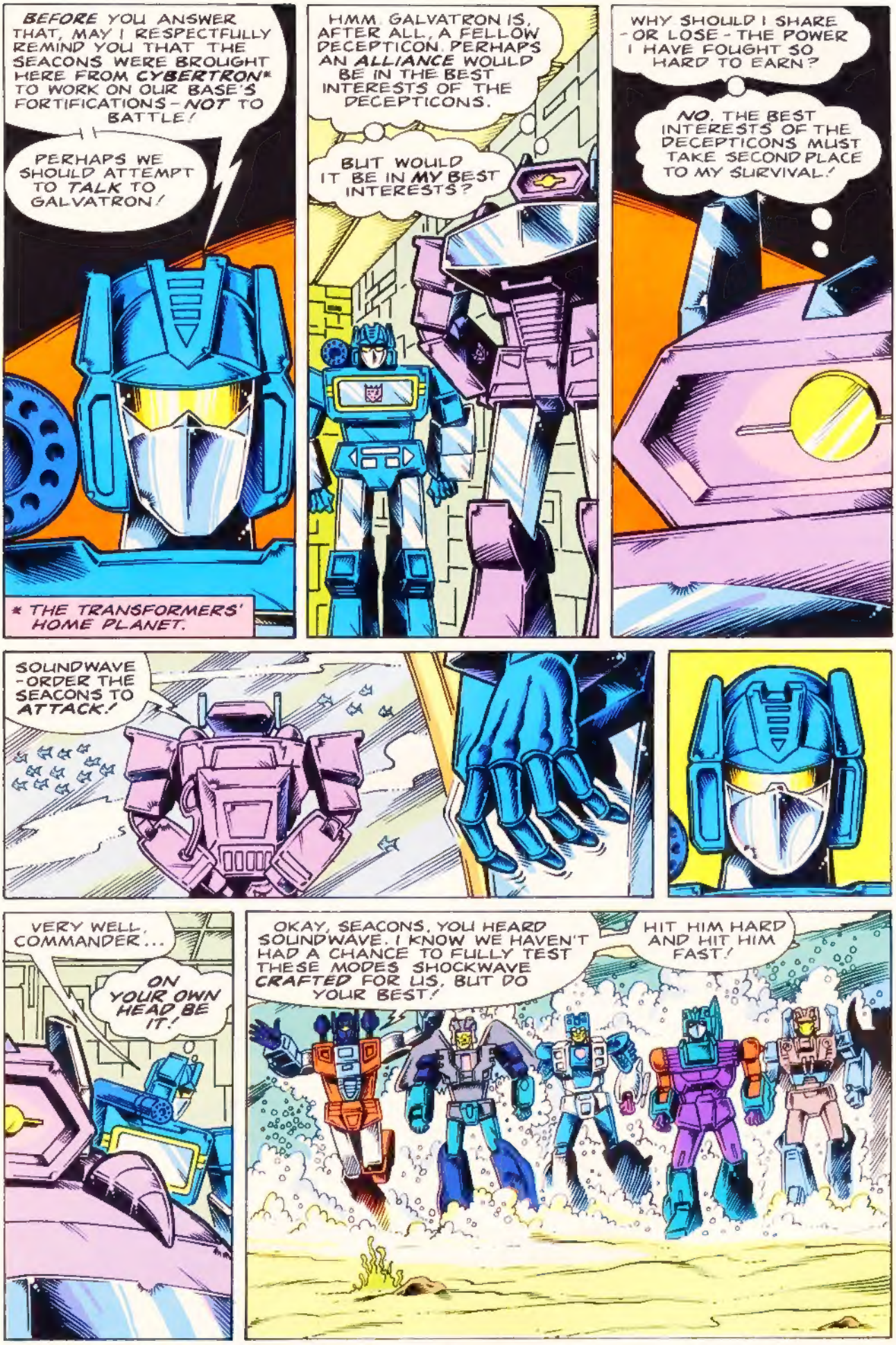
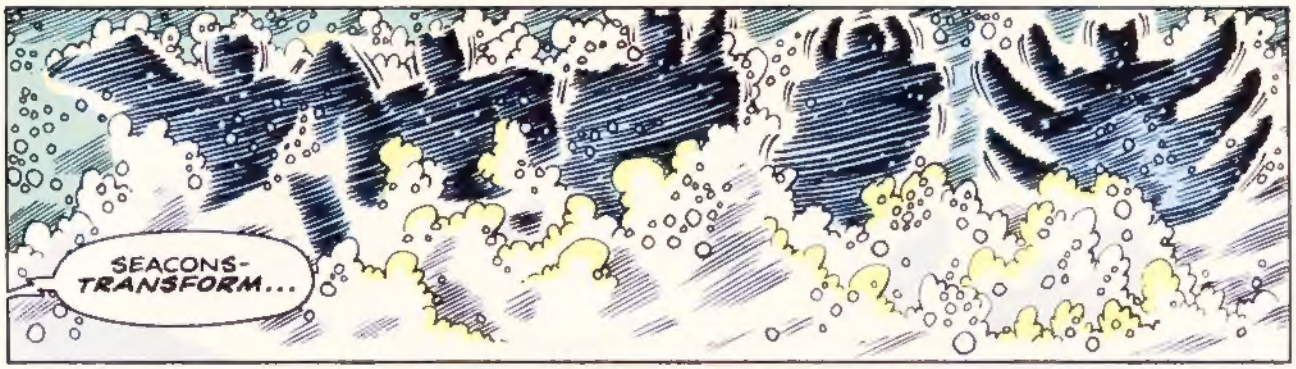
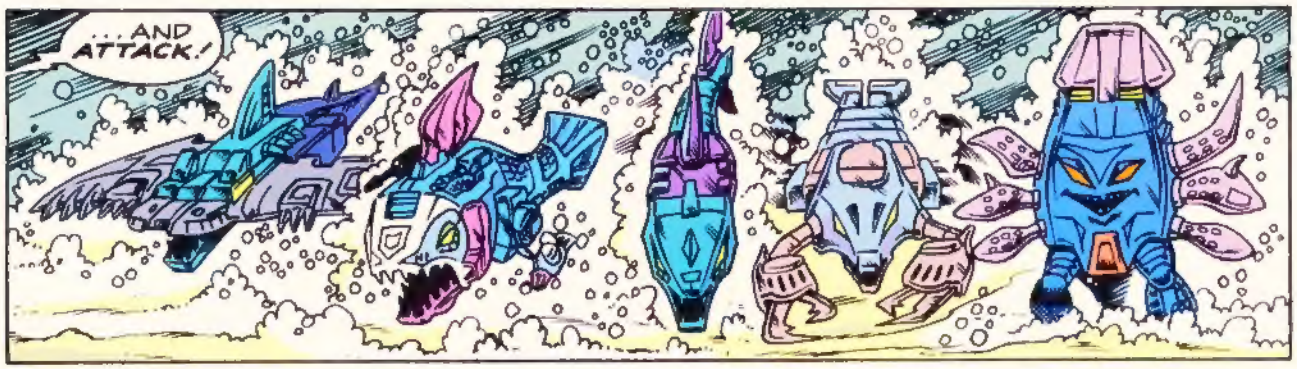
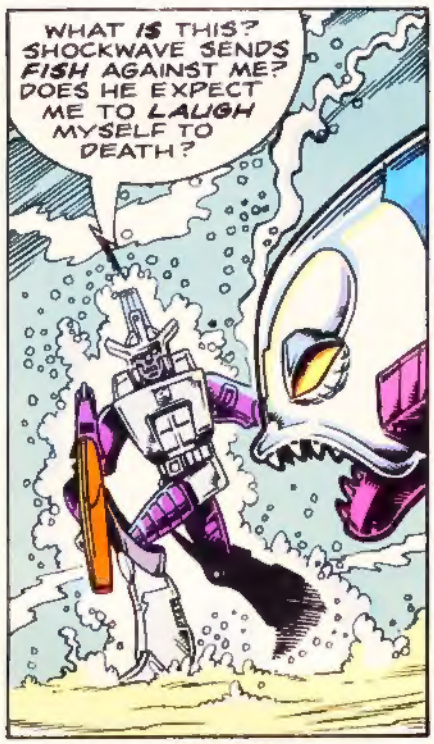
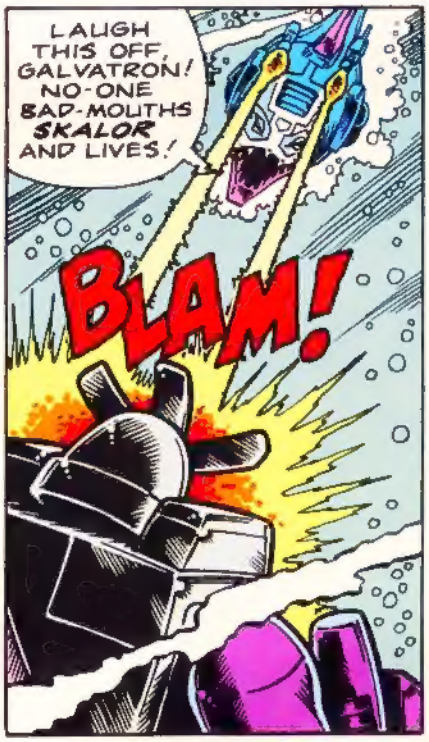

GALVATRON!
HE-HE'S RETURNED! AND HIS APPEARANCE HERE CAN MEAN ONLY ONE THING...
HE MEANS TO WREST CONTROL OF THE DECEPTICONS FROM ME, AS HE DID ONCE BEFORE FROM MEGATRON!*
* ISSUE 79.
AND REVENGE! YES, HE KNOWS THAT I ONCE ATTACKED HIM- SAVED THE DINOBOTS FROM HIS FURY! *
CAN HE ALSO KNOW THAT I TRIED ONCE MORE TO RID MYSELF OF HIM?** NO - SURELY NOT!
* ISSUE 102, ** ISSUES 137/138
SHAKK!
AND YET... NOTHING SEEMS TO STOP HIM! PERHAPS IT IS ALSO WITHIN HIS POWER TO SEE WHAT OTHERS CANNOT! I MUST--
WHAT? BEHIND ME!
COMMANDER! HOLD YOUR FIRE IT IS ME, SOUNDWAVE!
BAKAMM!
I... I AM SORRY, SOUNDWAVE. I...
WHAT IS IT? WHY HAVE YOU DISTURBED ME?
THE SEACONS, COMMANDER SHOCKWAVE! THEY AWAIT YOUR ORDERS. GALVATRON NEARS THE BASE. SHOULD THEY ATTACK OR WITHDRAW?

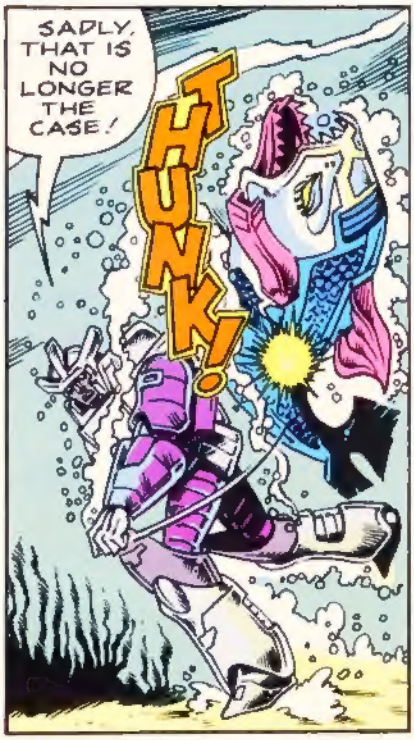

BEFORE YOU ANSWER THAT, MAY I RESPECTFULLY REMIND YOU THAT THE SEACONS WERE BROUGHT HERE FROM CYBERTRON* TO WORK ON OUR BASE'S FORTIFICATIONS - NOT TO BATTLE!
PERHAPS WE SHOULD ATTEMPT TO TALK TO GALVATRON!
* THE TRANSFORMERS' HOME PLANET.
HMM. GALVATRON IS, AFTER ALL, A FELLOW DECEPTICON. PERHAPS AN ALLIANCE WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE DECEPTICONS.
BUT WOULD IT BE IN MY BEST INTERESTS?
WHY SHOULD I SHARE - OR LOSE - THE POWER I HAVE FOUGHT SO HARD TO EARN?
NO. THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE DECEPTICONS MUST TAKE SECOND PLACE TO MY SURVIVAL!
SOUNDWAVE - ORDER THE SEACONS TO ATTACK!
VERY WELL, COMMANDER...
ON YOUR OWN HEAD BE IT!
OKAY, SEACONS, YOU HEARD SOUNDWAVE. I KNOW WE HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO FULLY TEST THESE MODES SHOCKWAVE CRAFTED FOR US, BUT DO YOUR BEST!
HIT HIM HARD AND HIT HIM FAST!

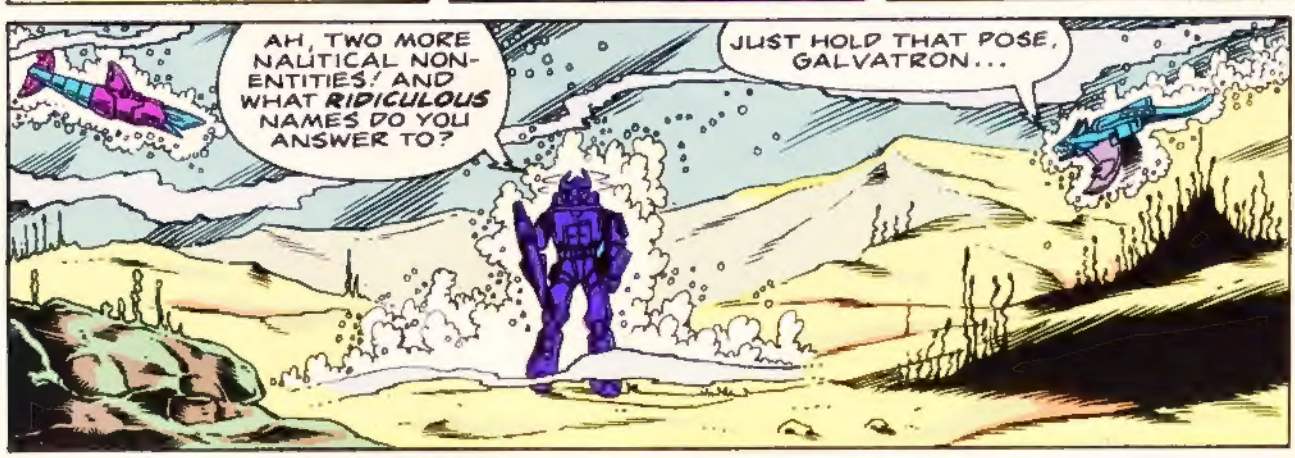

SEACONS- TRANSFORM...


...AND ATTACK!


WHAT IS THIS? SHOCKWAVE SENDS FISH AGAINST ME? DOES HE EXPECT ME TO LAUGH MYSELF TO DEATH?


LAUGH THIS OFF, GALVATRON! NO-ONE BAD-MOUTHS SKALOR AND LIVES!
BLAM!


SADLY, THAT IS NO LONGER THE CASE!
HUNK!


AH, TWO MORE NAUTICAL NON-ENTITIES! AND WHAT RIDICULOUS NAMES DO YOU ANSWER TO?
JUST HOLD THAT POSE, GALVATRON...

... AND WE'LL CARVE THEM ON YOUR HIDE!
SHAK!
SHAK!
IS THAT SO? NOT WITH THIS PATHETIC LASER, YOU WON'T--
FUSSH-
-AAH!
WHAT? MY ARM... I-I CAN'T MOVE IT!
THAT'S THE GENERAL IDEA, SLICKER! SEAWING'S STING PARALYSES...
AND JAWBREAKER PUTS THE BITE ON THEM!
GHAAA!
UNNH! YOU DARE? I AM GALVATRON - THE MOST POWERFUL DECEPTICON IN ALL CREATION...
... AND ALL WHO OPPOSE ME...
WHUMP!

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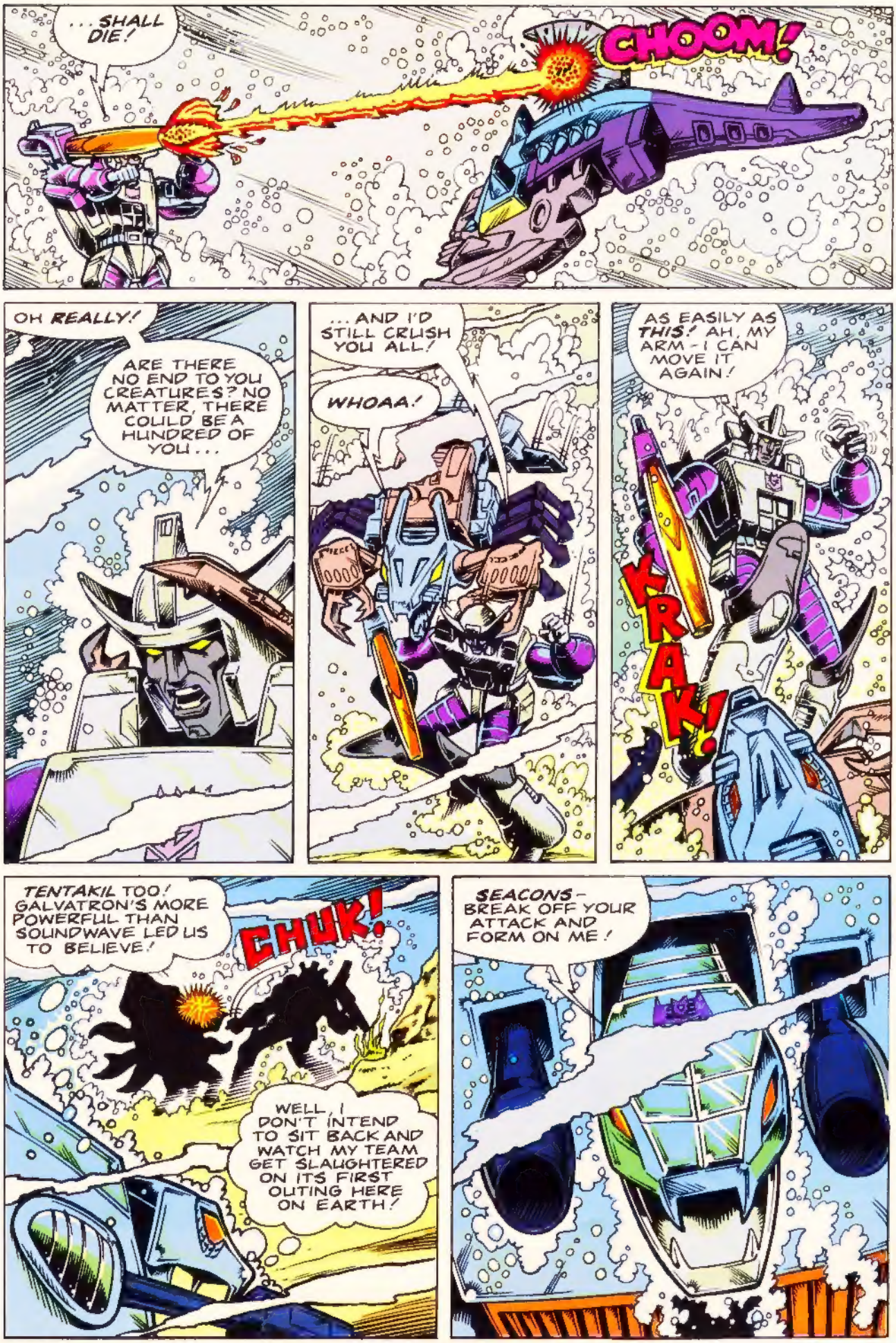
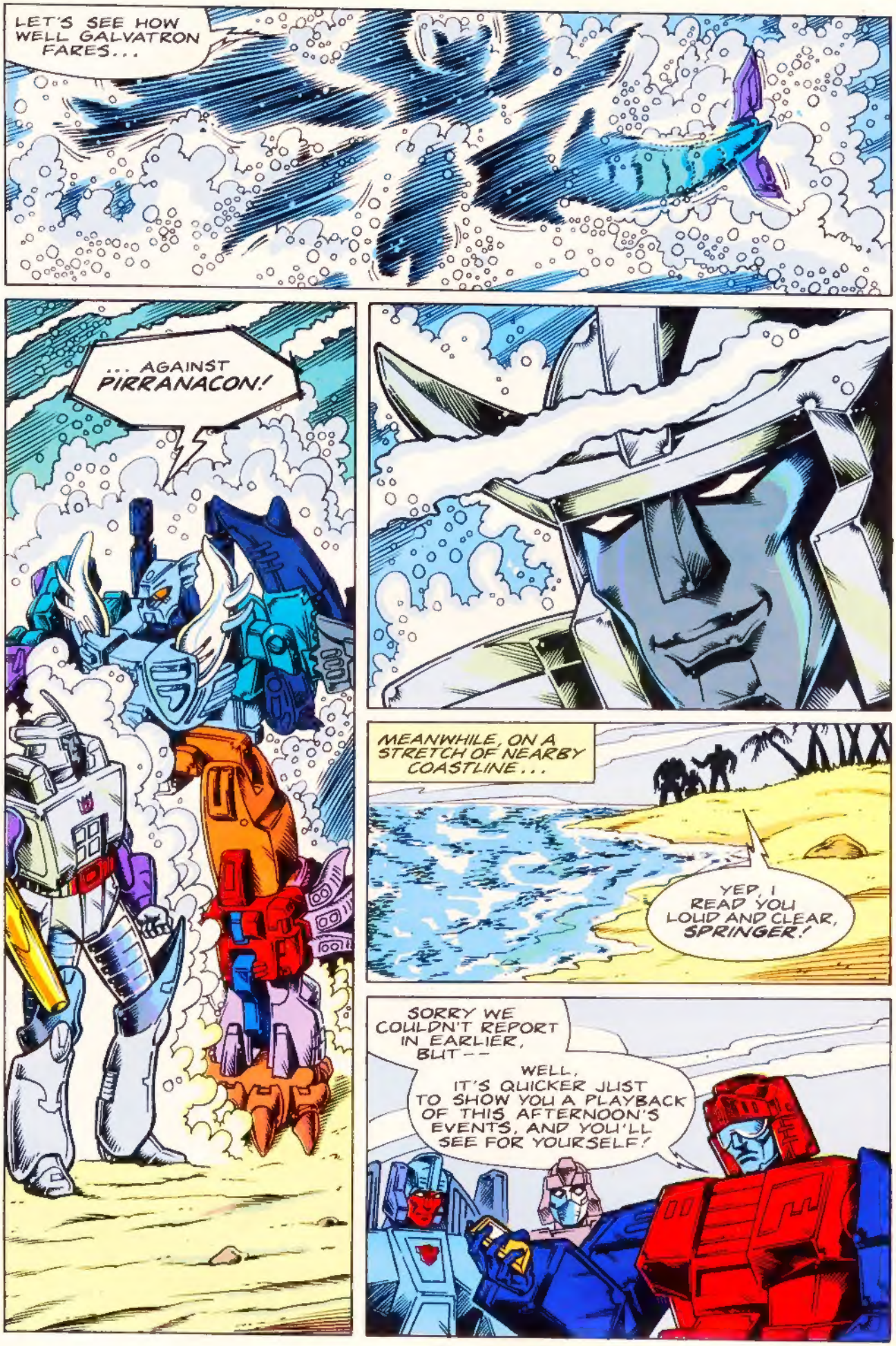
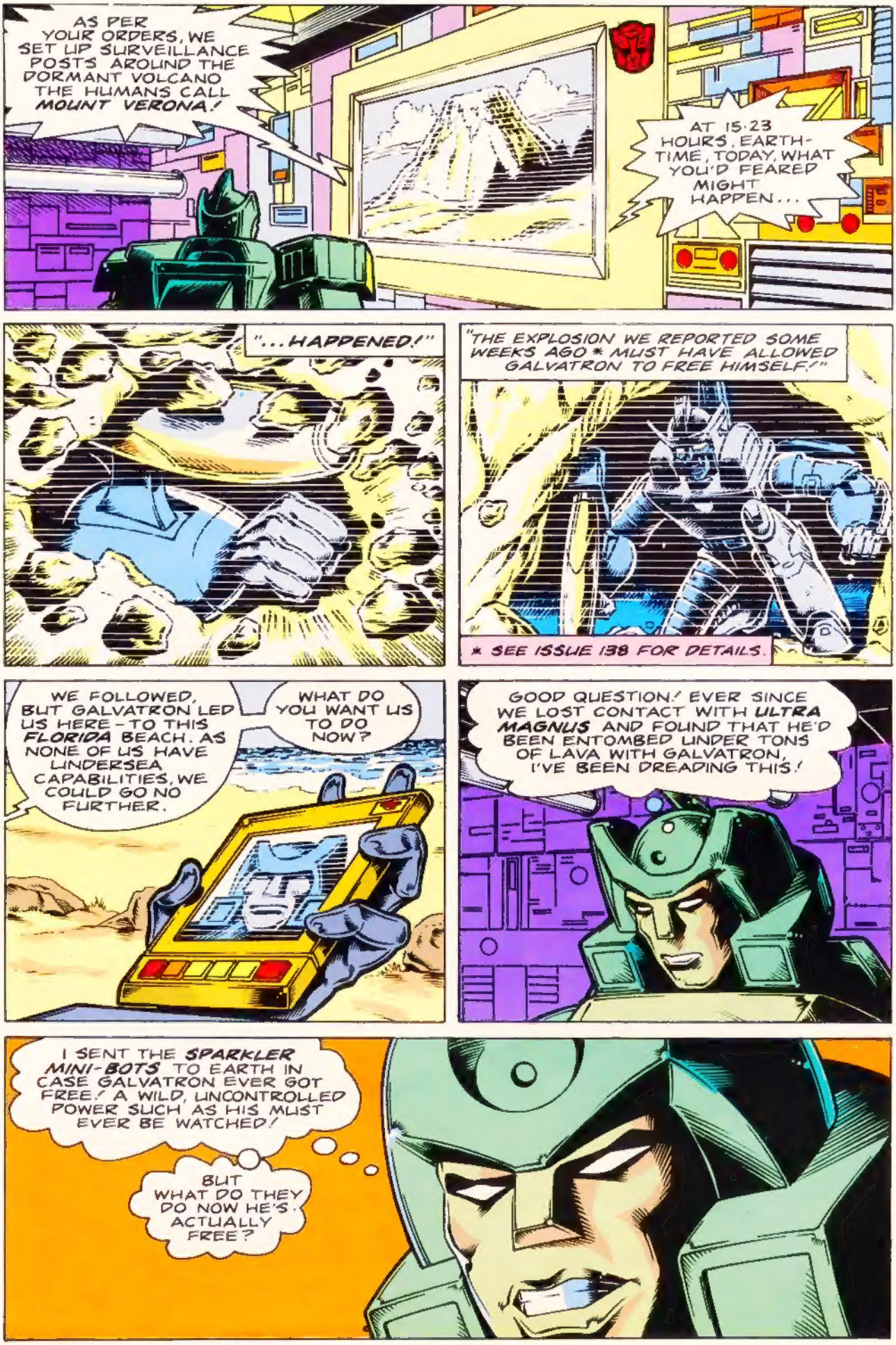
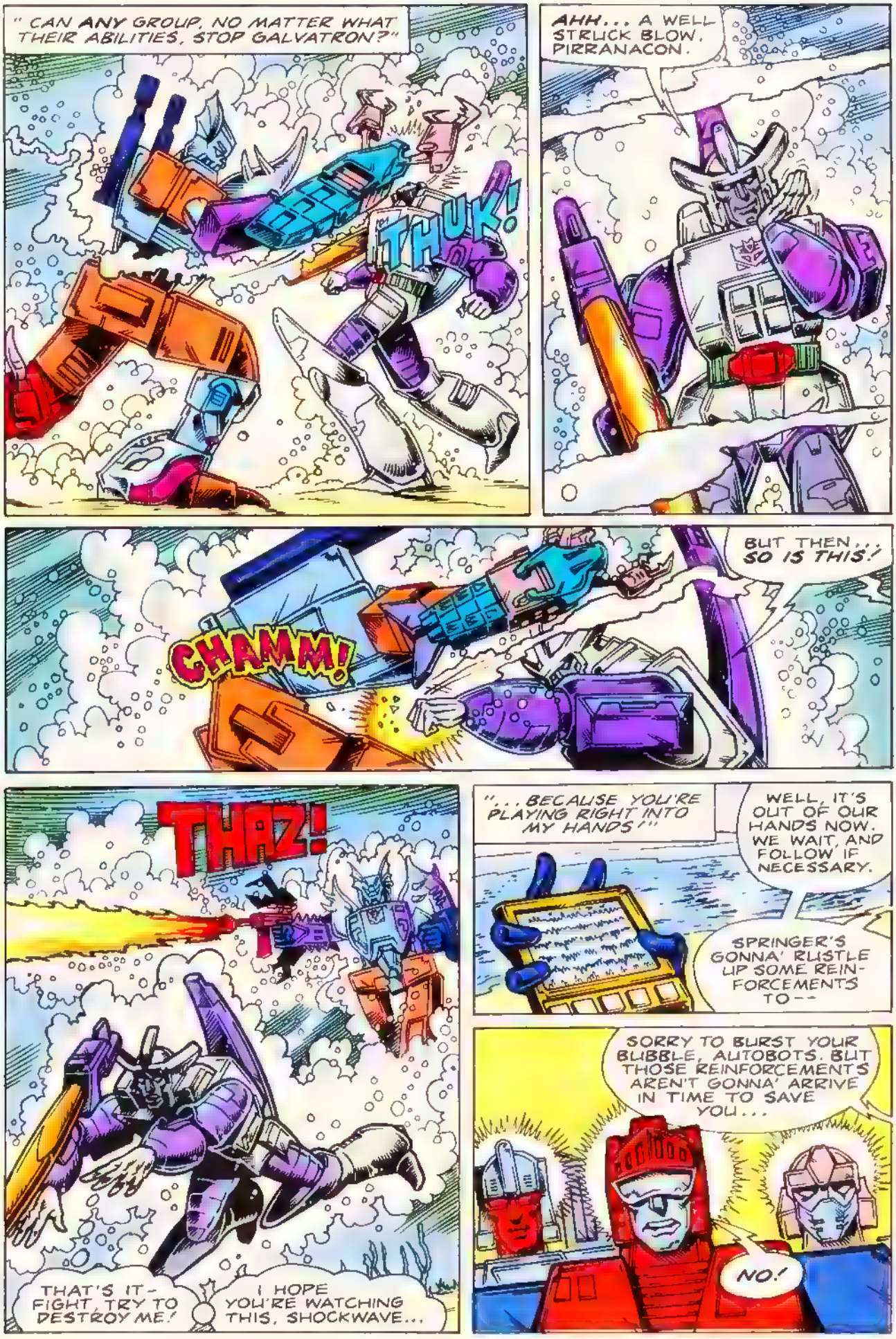

...SHALL DIE!
CHOOM!
OH REALLY!
ARE THERE NO END TO YOU CREATURES? NO MATTER, THERE COULD BE A HUNDRED OF YOU...
...AND I'D STILL CRUSH YOU ALL!
WHOAA!
AS EASILY AS THIS! AH, MY ARM - I CAN MOVE IT AGAIN!
KRAK!
TENTAKIL TOO! GALVATRON'S MORE POWERFUL THAN SOUNDWAVE LED US TO BELIEVE!
CHUK!
WELL, I DON'T INTEND TO SIT BACK AND WATCH MY TEAM GET SLAUGHTERED ON ITS FIRST OUTING HERE ON EARTH!
SEACONS - BREAK OFF YOUR ATTACK AND FORM ON ME!


LET'S SEE HOW WELL GALVATRON FARES...
... AGAINST PIRRANACON!
MEANWHILE, ON A STRETCH OF NEARBY COASTLINE...
YEP, I READ YOU LOUD AND CLEAR, SPRINGER!
SORRY WE COULDN'T REPORT IN EARLIER, BUT--
WELL, IT'S QUICKER JUST TO SHOW YOU A PLAYBACK OF THIS AFTERNOON'S EVENTS, AND YOU'LL SEE FOR YOURSELF!


AS PER YOUR ORDERS, WE SET UP SURVEILLANCE POSTS AROUND THE DORMANT VOLCANO THE HUMANS CALL MOUNT VERONA!
AT 15:23 HOURS, EARTH-TIME, TODAY, WHAT YOU'D FEARED MIGHT HAPPEN...
"...HAPPENED!"
"THE EXPLOSION WE REPORTED SOME WEEKS AGO * MUST HAVE ALLOWED GALVATRON TO FREE HIMSELF!"
* SEE ISSUE 138 FOR DETAILS.
WE FOLLOWED, BUT GALVATRON LED US HERE - TO THIS FLORIDA BEACH. AS NONE OF US HAVE UNDERSEA CAPABILITIES, WE COULD GO NO FURTHER.
WHAT DO YOU WANT US TO DO NOW?
GOOD QUESTION! EVER SINCE WE LOST CONTACT WITH ULTRA MAGNUS AND FOUND THAT HE'D BEEN ENTOMBED UNDER TONS OF LAVA WITH GALVATRON, I'VE BEEN DREADING THIS!
I SENT THE SPARKLER MINI-BOTS TO EARTH IN CASE GALVATRON EVER GOT FREE! A WILD, UNCONTROLLED POWER SUCH AS HIS MUST EVER BE WATCHED!
BUT WHAT DO THEY DO NOW HE'S ACTUALLY FREE?


"CAN ANY GROUP, NO MATTER WHAT THEIR ABILITIES, STOP GALVATRON?"
THUK!
AHH... A WELL STRUCK BLOW, PIRRANACON.
CHAMM!
BUT THEN... SO IS THIS!
THAZ!
THAT'S IT - FIGHT, TRY TO DESTROY ME!
I HOPE YOU'RE WATCHING THIS, SHOCKWAVE...
"...BECAUSE YOU'RE PLAYING RIGHT INTO MY HANDS'"
WELL, IT'S OUT OF OUR HANDS NOW. WE WAIT, AND FOLLOW IF NECESSARY.
SPRINGER'S GONNA' RUSTLE UP SOME REINFORCEMENTS TO--
SORRY TO BURST YOUR BUBBLE, AUTOBOTS. BUT THOSE REINFORCEMENTS AREN'T GONNA' ARRIVE IN TIME TO SAVE YOU...
NO!

NEXT: FIREBATHING!

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PART TWO

THIS IS FLORIDA. THEY'RE THE FIRECONS. AND BOY, THE BEACH IS HOT TODAY!
GALVATRON'S OURS, AUTOBOTS, AND ANYONE WHO DISAGREES...
...GET'S ROASTED!

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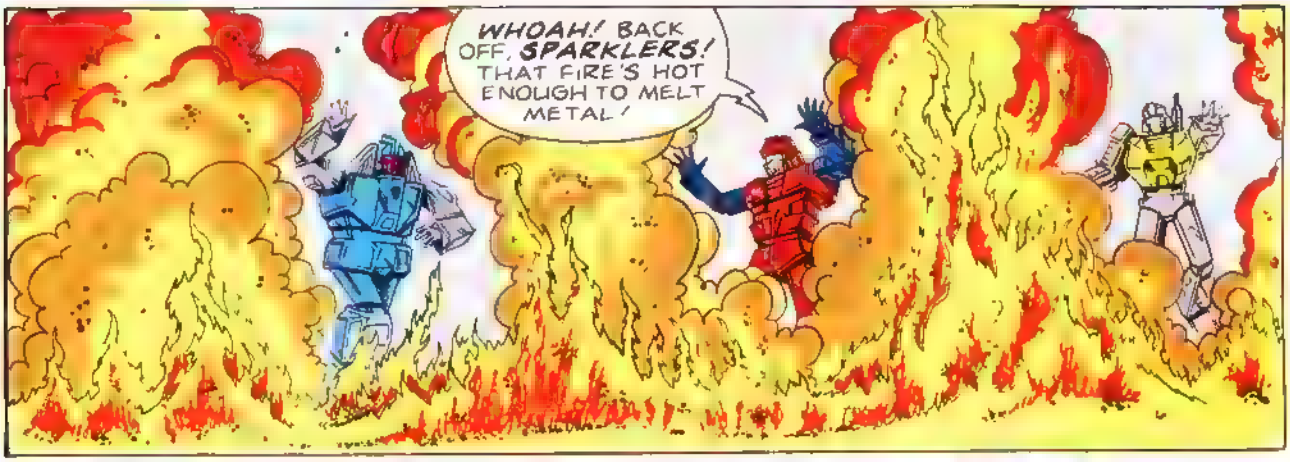
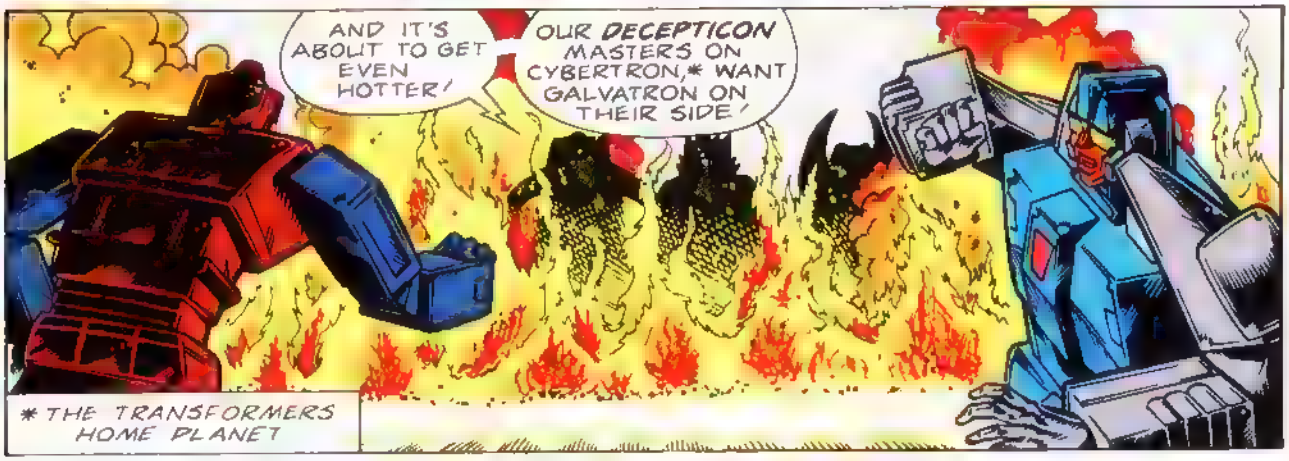
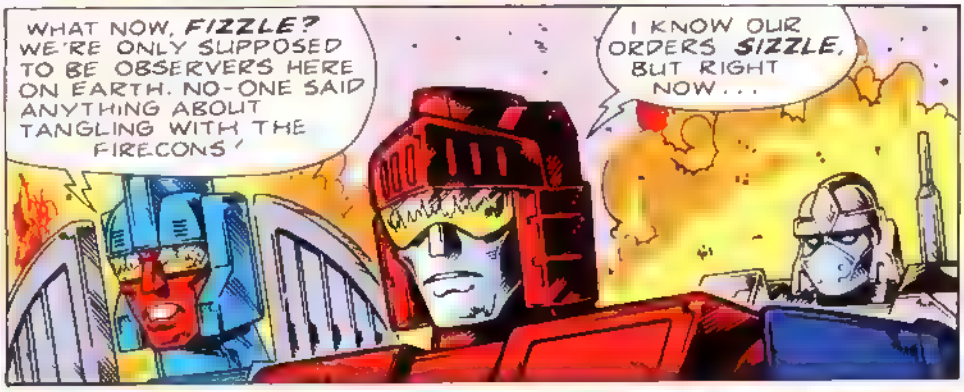
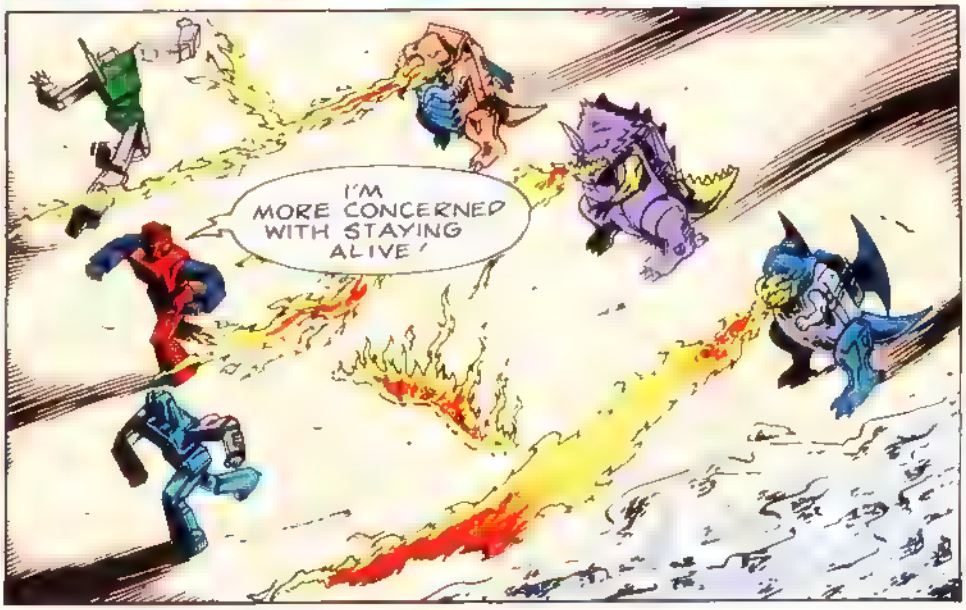

WHOAH! BACK OFF, SPARKLERS! THAT FIRE'S HOT ENOUGH TO MELT METAL!

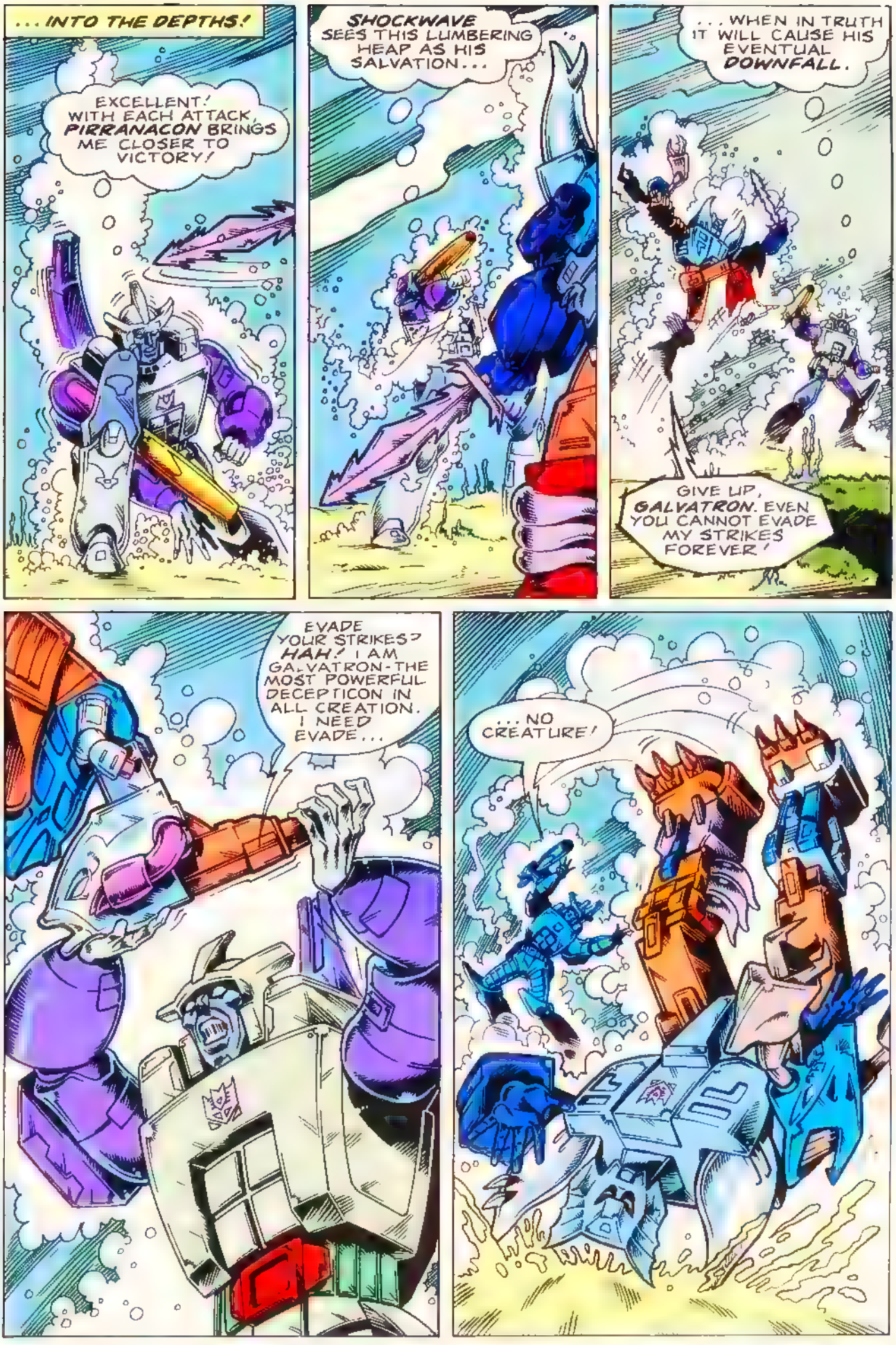

AND IT'S ABOUT TO GET EVEN HOTTER!
OUR DECEPTICON MASTERS ON CYBERTRON,* WANT GALVATRON ON THEIR SIDE!
* THE TRANSFORMERS HOME PLANET

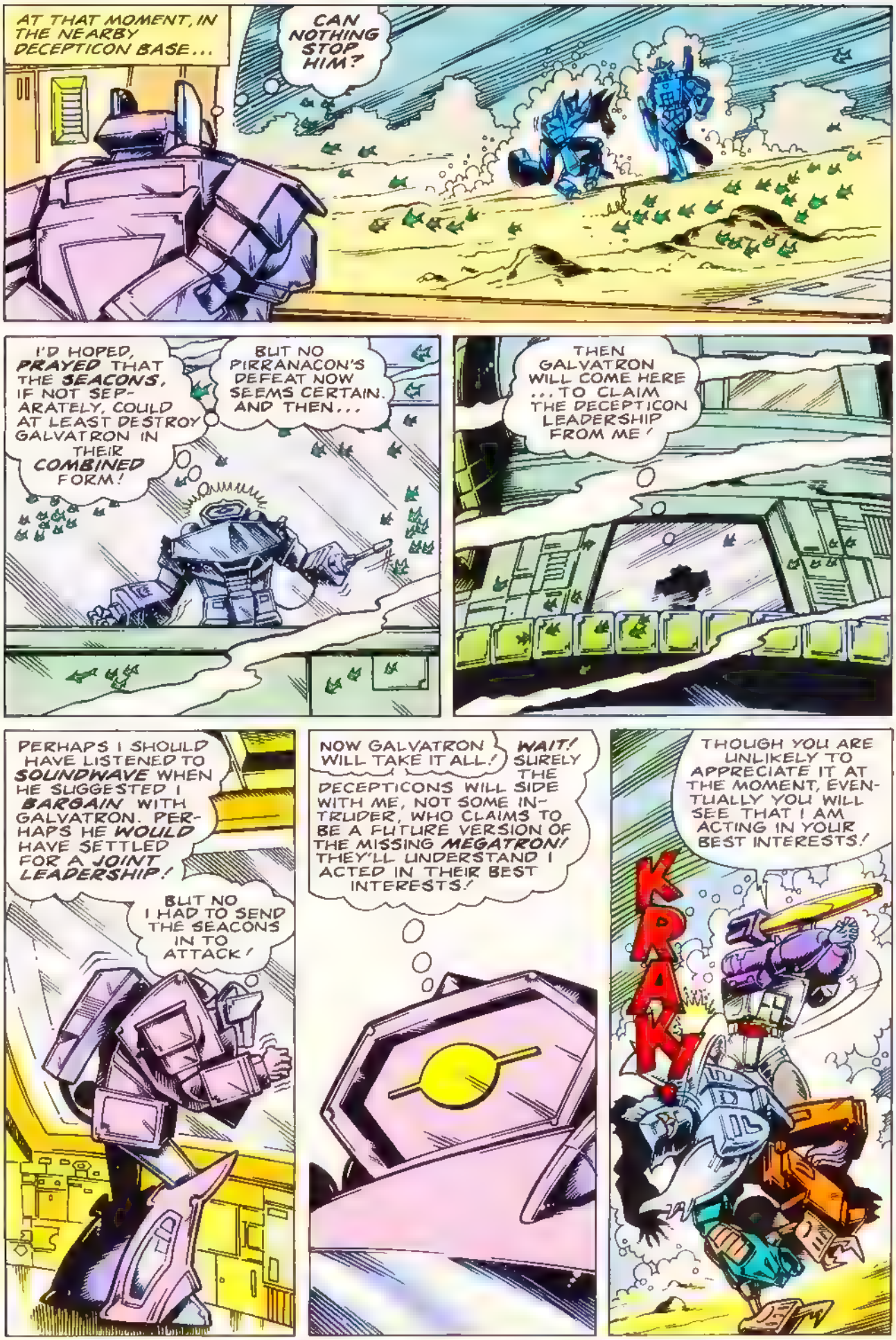
AND SINCE YOU THREE SEEM TO BE KEEPING TABS ON THE FUTURE DECEPTICON FOR SOME REASON...
... WE'RE GONNA HAVE TO REMOVE YOU FROM THE PICTURE!

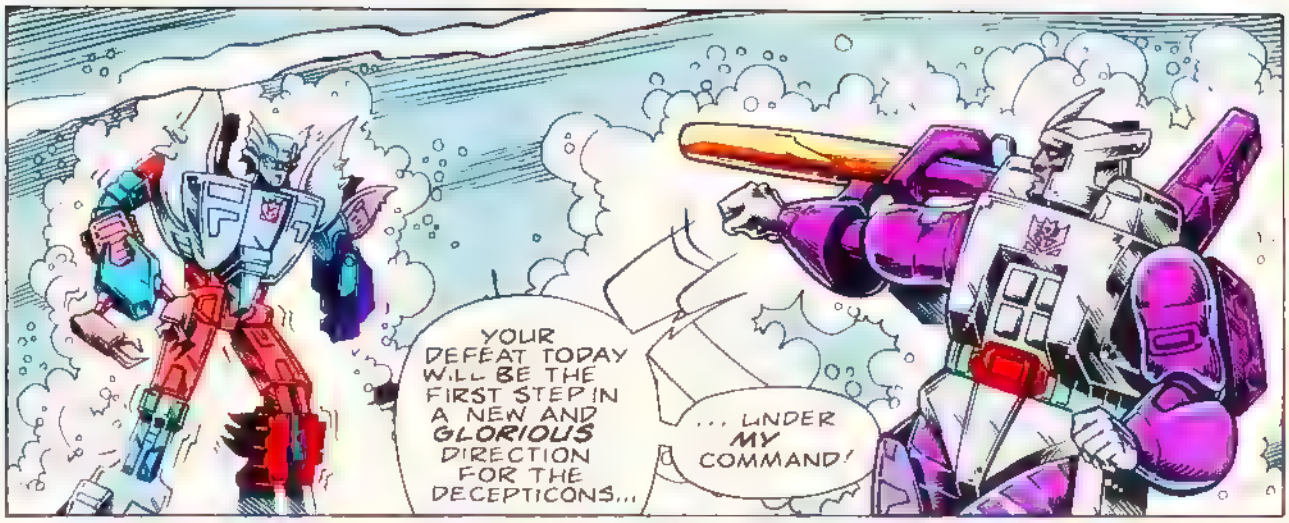

WHAT NOW, FIZZLE? WE'RE ONLY SUPPOSED TO BE OBSERVERS HERE ON EARTH. NO-ONE SAID ANYTHING ABOUT TANGLING WITH THE FIRECONS!
I KNOW OUR ORDERS SIZZLE, BUT RIGHT NOW...


I'M MORE CONCERNED WITH STAYING ALIVE!

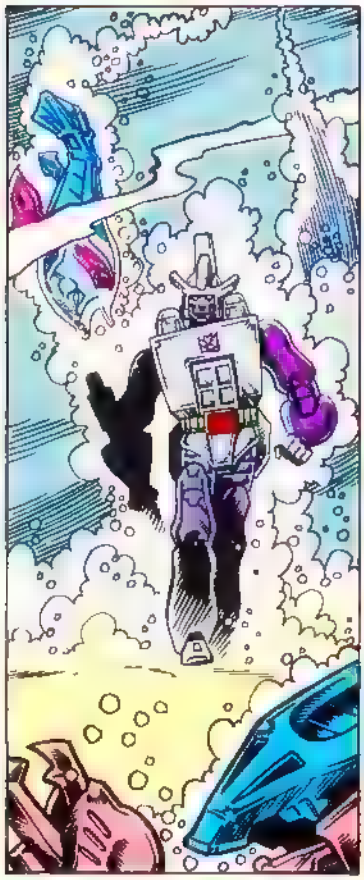
HAW! LOOK AT THOSE AUTOBOTS RUN! DON'T THEY REALISE HOW SOOTHING A NICE FLAME BATH IS?
HERE - TRY ONE!
GHAA!
UNNH! B-BURNING! AAAAH!
AWW! TOO HOT FOR YOU?
HEY, GUYS - WATCH FIZZLE... SIZZLE!
GOT - GOT TO...
SPARK!
NOT FAIR! COME BACK AND PLAY, AUTOBOT!
FSSSSS!
THE COLD WATER COOLS, HEALS, AND BLISSFUL UNCONSCIOUSNESS STILLS THE PAIN BUT THAT SAME WATER DRAWS FIZZLE DOWN...

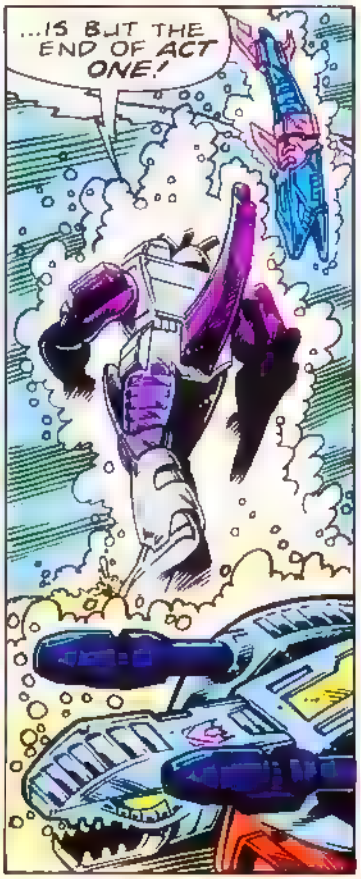

. . . INTO THE DEPTHS!
EXCELLENT! WITH EACH ATTACK, PIRRANACON BRINGS ME CLOSER TO VICTORY!
SHOCKWAVE SEES THIS LUMBERING HEAP AS HIS SALVATION. . .
. . . WHEN IN TRUTH IT WILL CAUSE HIS EVENTUAL DOWNFALL.
GIVE UP, GALVATRON. EVEN YOU CANNOT EVADE MY STRIKES FOREVER!
EVADE YOUR STRIKES? HAH! I AM GALVATRON-THE MOST POWERFUL DECEPTICON IN ALL CREATION. I NEED EVADE. . .
. . . NO CREATURE!


AT THAT MOMENT, IN THE NEARBY DECEPTICON BASE...
CAN NOTHING STOP HIM?
I'D HOPED, PRAYED THAT THE SEACONS, IF NOT SEPARATELY, COULD AT LEAST DESTROY GALVATRON IN THEIR COMBINED FORM!
BUT NO PIRRANACON'S DEFEAT NOW SEEMS CERTAIN. AND THEN...
THEN GALVATRON WILL COME HERE ...TO CLAIM THE DECEPTICON LEADERSHIP FROM ME!
PERHAPS I SHOULD HAVE LISTENED TO SOUNDWAVE WHEN HE SUGGESTED I BARGAIN WITH GALVATRON. PERHAPS HE WOULD HAVE SETTLED FOR A JOINT LEADERSHIP!
BUT NO I HAD TO SEND THE SEACONS IN TO ATTACK!
NOW GALVATRON WILL TAKE IT ALL!
WAIT! SURELY THE DECEPTICONS WILL SIDE WITH ME, NOT SOME INTRUDER, WHO CLAIMS TO BE A FUTURE VERSION OF THE MISSING MEGATRON! THEY'LL UNDERSTAND I ACTED IN THEIR BEST INTERESTS!
THOUGH YOU ARE UNLIKELY TO APPRECIATE IT AT THE MOMENT, EVENTUALLY YOU WILL SEE THAT I AM ACTING IN YOUR BEST INTERESTS!
KRAK

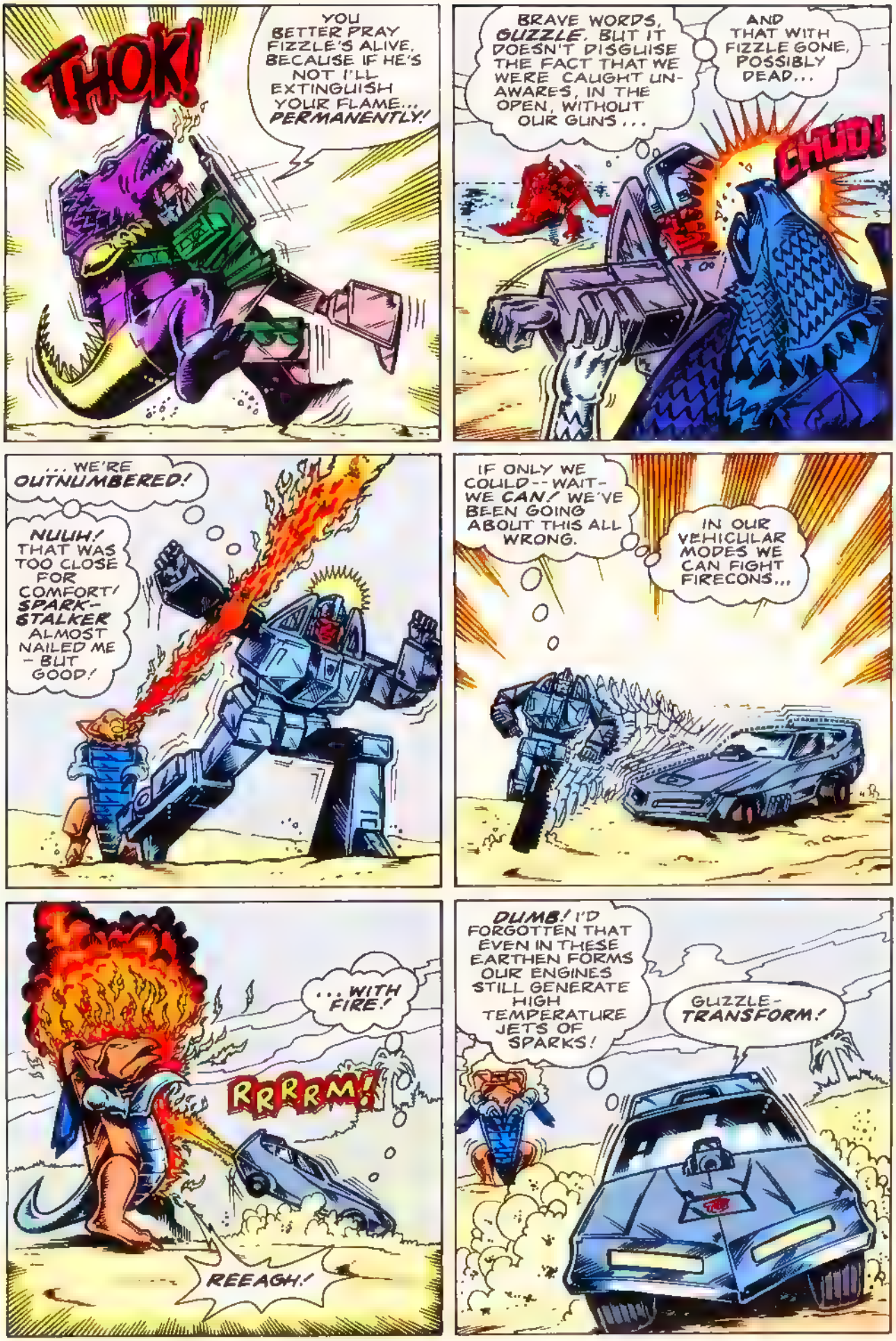

YOUR DEFEAT TODAY WILL BE THE FIRST STEP IN A NEW AND GLORIOUS DIRECTION FOR THE DECEPTICONS...
... UNDER MY COMMAND!

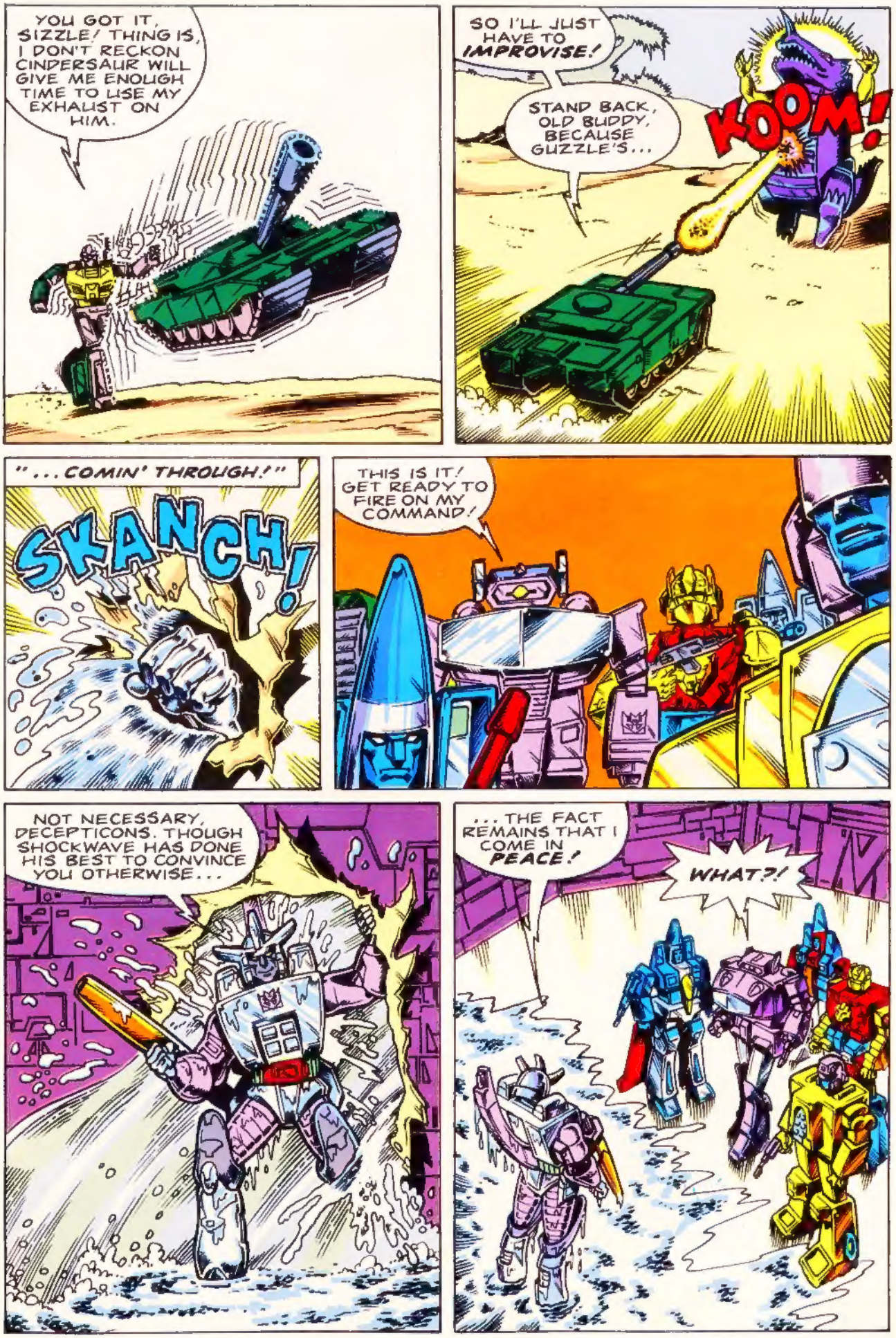
FRADOOM!
REST, SEACONS YOUR ROLE IS PLAYED OUT. IT IS NOW TIME TO SHOW SHOCKWAVE THAT WHAT HE NO DOUBT BELIEVES TO BE THE FINAL CURTAIN...



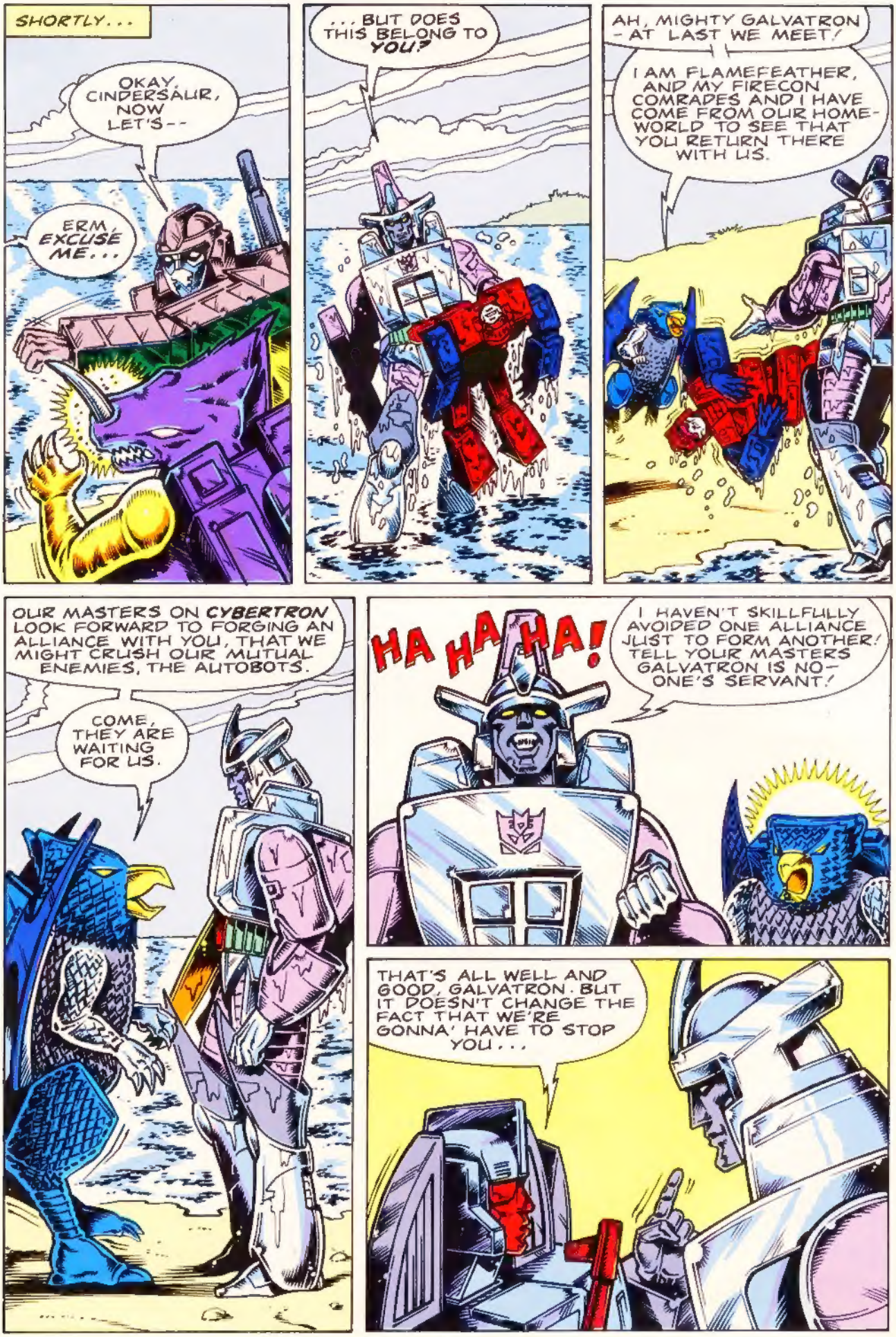

...IS BUT THE END OF ACT ONE!

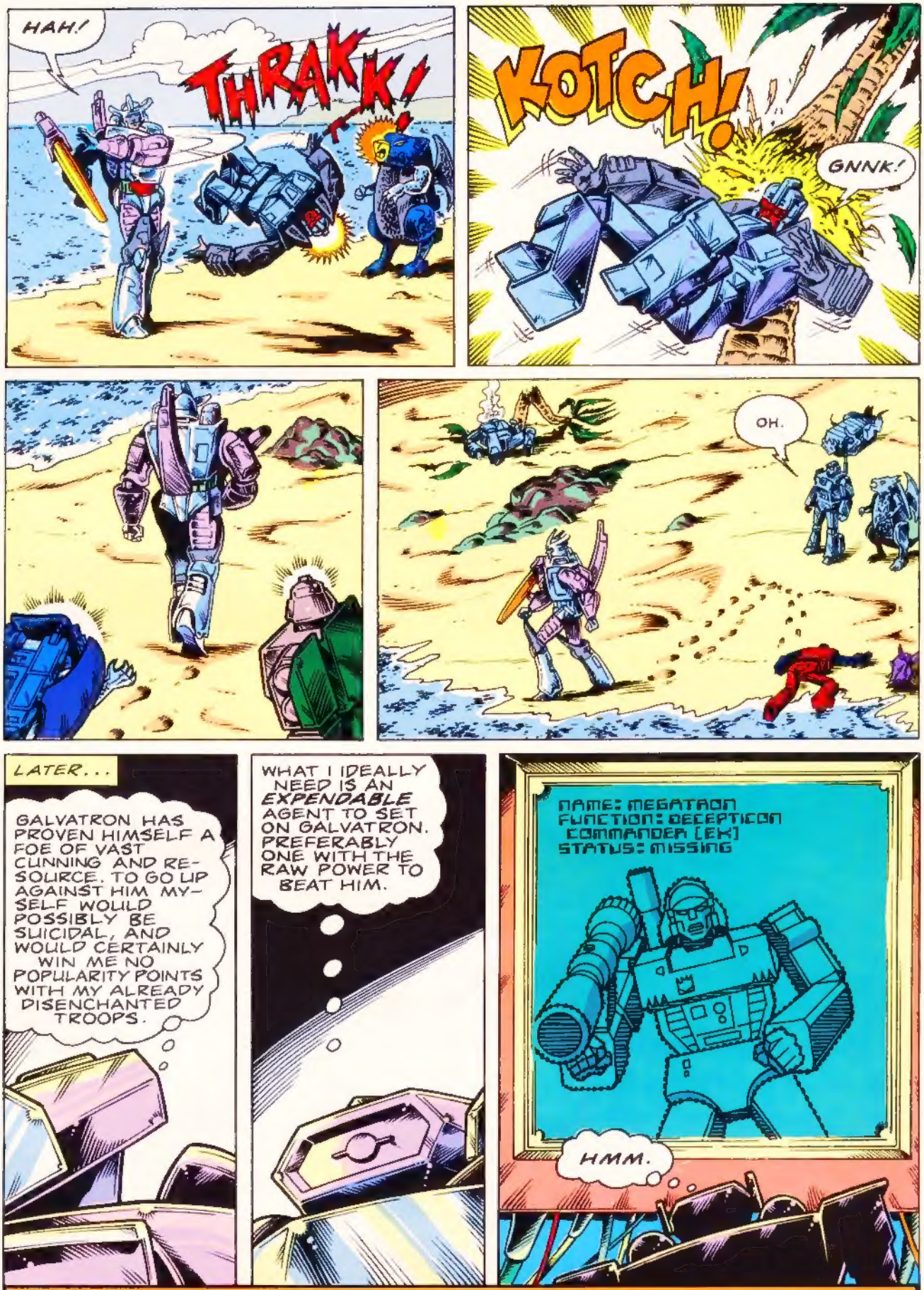
MEANWHILE, ABOVE SEA LEVEL...
YOU'RE FINISHED FIRECON! NO-ONE DOES THAT TO ONE OF MY BUDDIES AND GETS AWAY WITH IT!


THOK!
YOU BETTER PRAY FIZZLE'S ALIVE, BECAUSE IF HE'S NOT I'LL EXTINGUISH YOUR FLAME... PERMANENTLY!
BRAVE WORDS, GUZZLE, BUT IT DOESN'T DISGUISE THE FACT THAT WE WERE CAUGHT UNAWARES, IN THE OPEN, WITHOUT OUR GUNS...
AND THAT WITH FIZZLE GONE, POSSIBLY DEAD...
CHUD!
...WE'RE OUTNUMBERED!
NUUH! THAT WAS TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT! SPARK-STALKER ALMOST NAILED ME - BUT GOOD!
IF ONLY WE COULD -- WAIT- WE CAN! WE'VE BEEN GOING ABOUT THIS ALL WRONG.
IN OUR VEHICULAR MODES WE CAN FIGHT FIRECONS...
...WITH FIRE!
RRRM!
REEAGH!
DUMB! I'D FORGOTTEN THAT EVEN IN THESE EARTHEN FORMS OUR ENGINES STILL GENERATE HIGH TEMPERATURE JETS OF SPARKS!
GUZZLE- TRANSFORM!


YOU GOT IT, SIZZLE! THING IS, I DON'T RECKON CINDERSAUR WILL GIVE ME ENOUGH TIME TO USE MY EXHAUST ON HIM.
SO I'LL JUST HAVE TO IMPROVISE!
STAND BACK, OLD BUDDY, BECAUSE GUZZLE'S...
KOOM!
"...COMIN' THROUGH!"
SKANCH!
THIS IS IT! GET READY TO FIRE ON MY COMMAND!
NOT NECESSARY, DECEPTICONS. THOUGH SHOCKWAVE HAS DONE HIS BEST TO CONVINCE YOU OTHERWISE...
...THE FACT REMAINS THAT I COME IN PEACE!
WHAT?!

I CAME HERE SEEKING NOT A CONQUEST, BUT A COMPROMISE.
THE BENEFITS OF A SHARED LEADERSHIP MUST BE APPARENT TO YOUR LOGICAL MIND, SHOCKWAVE!
BUT DID YOU EVEN ATTEMPT TO TALK WITH ME? NO, YOU ATTACKED, LEAVING ME NO OPTION BUT FIGHT BACK.
HEAR ME, DECEPTICONS. BY HIS ACTIONS, YOUR LEADER HAS MADE AN ENEMY OF ME...
... AND WHEN WE MEET AGAIN HIS MISTAKE WILL COST YOU ALL DEARLY!
EXCELLENT!
I GUESSED SHOCKWAVE WOULD ASSUME I HAD COME TO FORCIBLY TAKE COMMAND. HOWEVER, SUCH ACTION ON MY PART WOULD ONLY ALIENATE MY FUTURE TROOPS.
BUT NOW THAT SHOCKWAVE IS CLEARLY THE AUTHOR OF HIS OWN DOWNFALL, THEY WILL WELCOME ME WHEN I NEXT--
HMM. WHAT'S THIS?


SHORTLY...
OKAY, CINDERSAUR, NOW LET'S--
ERM, EXCUSE ME...
...BUT DOES THIS BELONG TO YOU?
AH, MIGHTY GALVATRON - AT LAST WE MEET!
I AM FLAMEFEATHER, AND MY FIRECON COMRADES AND I HAVE COME FROM OUR HOME-WORLD TO SEE THAT YOU RETURN THERE WITH US.
OUR MASTERS ON CYBERTRON LOOK FORWARD TO FORGING AN ALLIANCE WITH YOU, THAT WE MIGHT CRUSH OUR MUTUAL ENEMIES, THE AUTOBOTS.
COME, THEY ARE WAITING FOR US.
HA HA HA!
I HAVEN'T SKILLFULLY AVOIDED ONE ALLIANCE JUST TO FORM ANOTHER! TELL YOUR MASTERS GALVATRON IS NO-ONE'S SERVANT!
THAT'S ALL WELL AND GOOD, GALVATRON. BUT IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT WE'RE GONNA' HAVE TO STOP YOU...


HAH!
THRAKK!
KOTCH!
GNNK!
OH.
LATER...
GALVATRON HAS PROVEN HIMSELF A FOE OF VAST CUNNING AND RESOURCE. TO GO UP AGAINST HIM MYSELF WOULD POSSIBLY BE SUICIDAL, AND WOULD CERTAINLY WIN ME NO POPULARITY POINTS WITH MY ALREADY DISENCHANTED TROOPS.
WHAT I IDEALLY NEED IS AN *EXPENDABLE* AGENT TO SET ON GALVATRON. PREFERABLY ONE WITH THE RAW POWER TO BEAT HIM.
NAME: MEGATRON
FUNCTION: DECEPTICON COMMANDER [EX]
STATUS: MISSING
HMM.
NEXT: TOY SOLDIERS!